

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number 6-20007 PG: 86A-53
Address: 11603 ~~11600 block of~~ Cheltenham Road off of Duley Station Road, Prince George's County - in the vicinity
Owner: Mertz, John J. Shirlene E. Gary of Upper Marlboro
Tax Parcel Number: 1274 PT Lot 7 Tax Map Number: 127
Subdivision: 3000
Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)
Site visit by SHA Staff: X no yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended X
Criteria A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G X None
Is property located within a historic district? X no yes Name of District: _____
Is district listed?: X no yes
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)

The one-story, side-gabled, hall-and-parlor vernacular house has a projecting center gable. The house is three bays wide and is sided in asphalt sheeting simulated to look like stone. The porch has three wood posts supporting the projecting gable and the floor of the porch is resting upon stone blocks. Access was limited to the house and a better understanding of the house's layout was unable to be attained.

Prince George's County relied on its agricultural roots for its economic growth through the early half of the 20th century. Most of southern Prince George's County remained rural around the turn of the century. The county's position as one of the largest tobacco growers in Maryland and the increasing diversification of the crops grown to be sent to the urban markets allowed for a family to be supported by agricultural means. Its population between 1910 and 1930 rose from 36,000 to almost 60,000 people, but its population growth was primarily limited to the settlements of the new towns and villages brought about by the Baltimore and Potomac rail lines. The villages around the rail lines became the economic and social centers for the rural communities throughout the southern section of Prince George's County.

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[Signature]
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

10/22/98
Date

Reviewer, NR Program

Date

Crain Highway benefited both Charles and Prince George's County in opening up the area around the new artery to increased residential and commercial development. The development along Crain Highway was not as intense in Prince George's County as it was in Charles County. The farmers closer to the urban markets of Washington began to diversify their crops and began to produce more products for the urban populations. Grains and potatoes were in demand in the cities and the access to the rail lines within Prince George's County assured the farmers' crops safe and easy delivery to the urban centers.

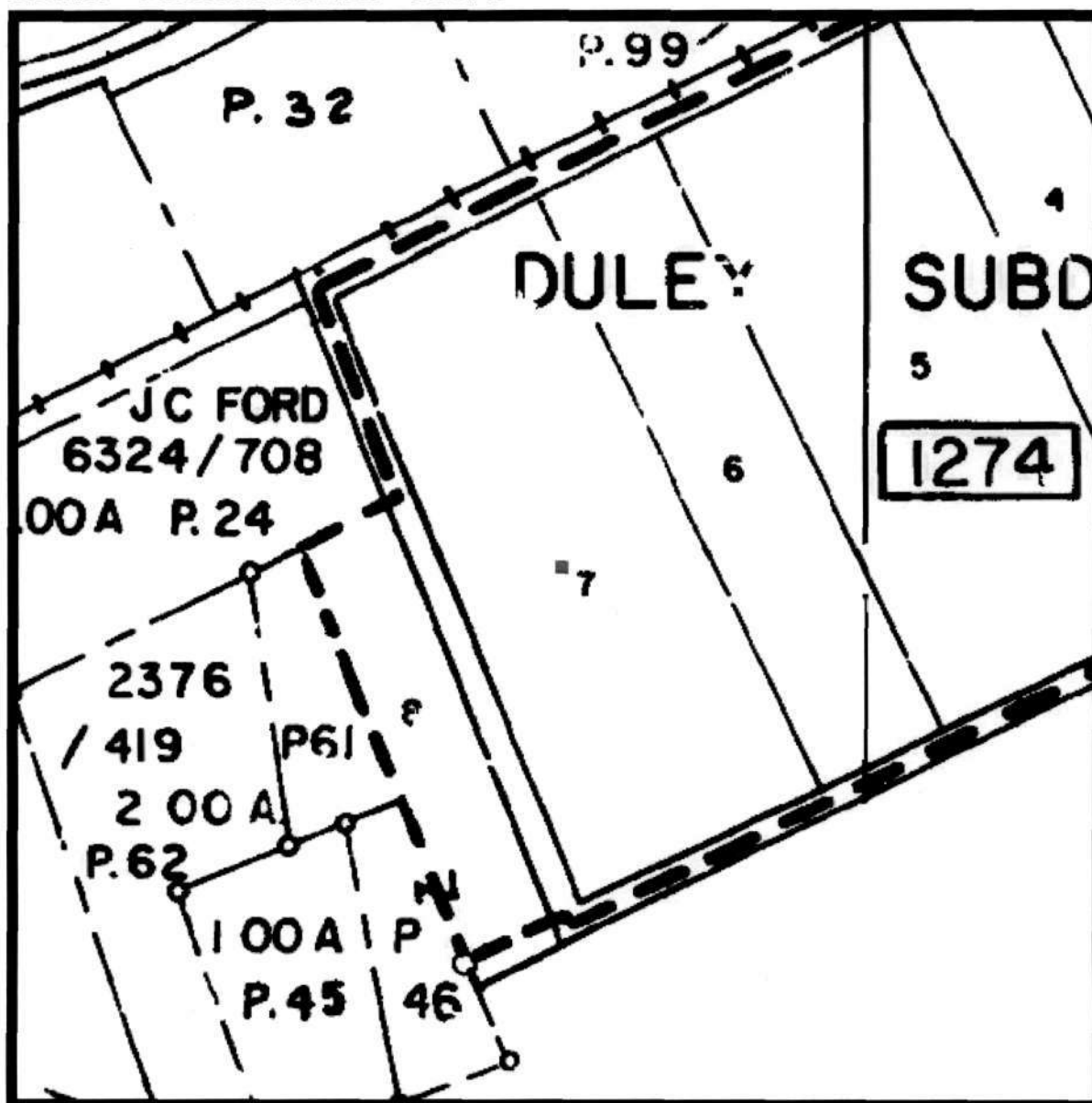
The c. 1910 house is not eligible for the National Register. The resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.



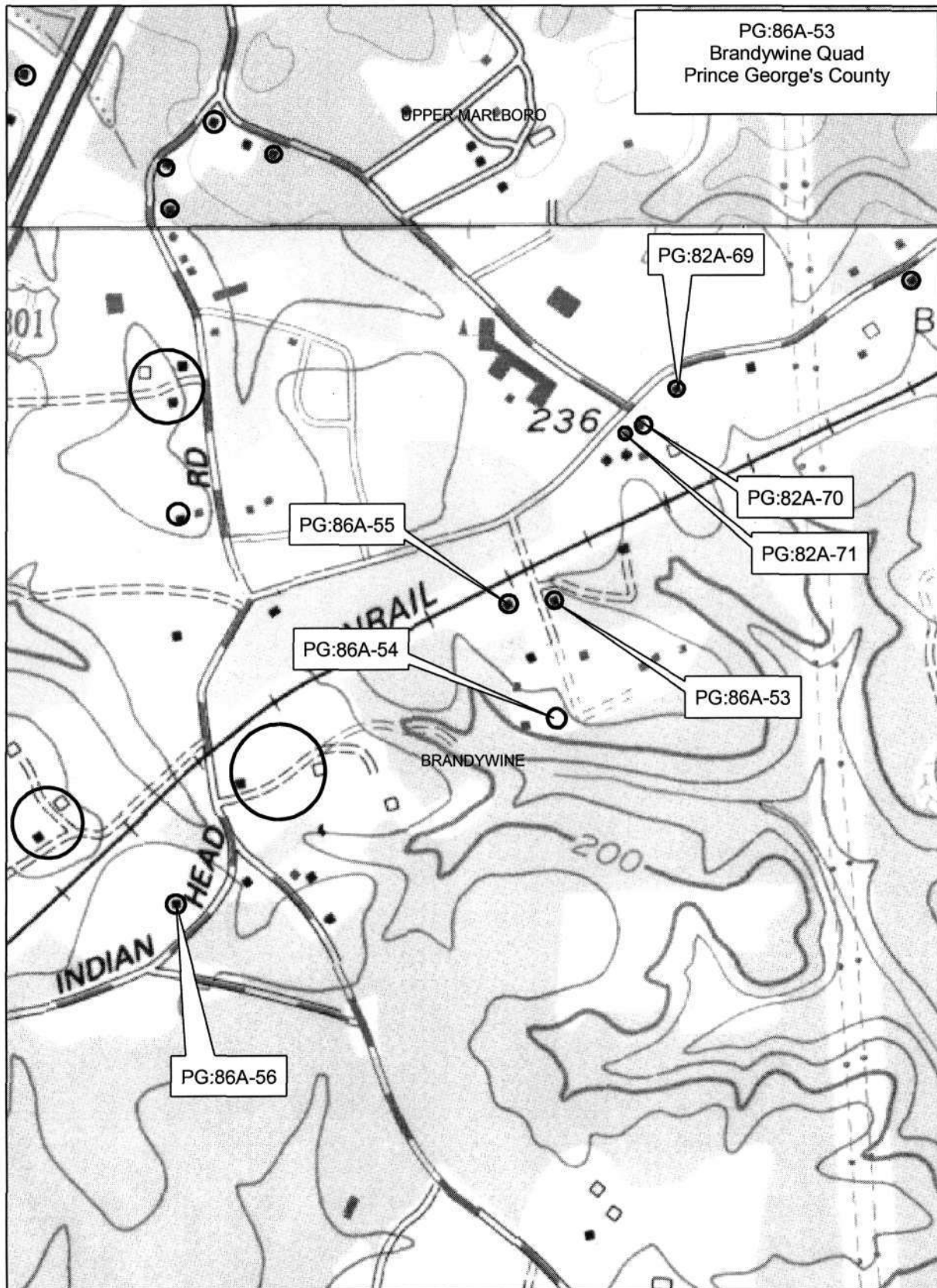
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